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HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION MINUTES

MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2025

9:30 A.M.

REGULAR MEETING

Location of Meeting: 701 Ocean Street, 4th Floor, Planning, LRG Conf. Room

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Newhouse calls the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

Commissioners Absent/Excused: Emily Burton resigned (Dist. 1)

Commissioners Present: Phillips (District 5), Orlando (Dist. 3), Newhouse (Dist. 2), Pearlman (Dist. 4)

Staff present: Mark Connolly (Policy Section Supervisor) [Matthew Sundt (Staff liaison) is absent]

Guest: Ginger Shulick Porcella MAH Executive Director

2. APPROVE AGENDA APPROVAL OR MODIFICATION

MOTION TO AMEND: Commissioner Newhouse requests Item 9F to reflect "Historic Context Statement" instead of "Historic Inventory"

Motion to Approve: Commissioner Pearlman

SECOND: Commissioner Phillips

AYES: Phillips, Orlando, Pearlman, Newhouse

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES from the regular meeting of June 9, 2025

MOTION TO Approve: Commissioner Orlando

SECOND: Commissioner Pearlman

AYES: Phillips, Orlando, Pearlman, Newhouse

4. DECLARATION OF EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS

(Commissioner disclosure of oral and written communications and site visits related to applications appearing on this agenda): None to report.

5. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS (Members of the public may speak on items not on this agenda and not to exceed three minutes): No public communications items

6. CONSENT ITEMS

No consent items

7. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS:
No public hearing items
8. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Presentation of MAH budget by MAH Executive Director Ginger Shulick Porcella.
 - B. Presentation of Aptos Village Firehouse and Hihn Apple Barn graphics display by Becky Steinbruner. Makes point that graphic displays are fading and that the south side of the Hihn Barn paint is peeling.
 - C. Certified Local Government form provided as an informational item only. [sent to OHP by County staff on June 11]
9. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Commissioner Phillips presents on Commission Goals. Commissioner Phillips requests that the HRC website be made more functional and specifically, that the Historic Inventory on the website be made more functional. Vice-chair Orlando explains that she commenced to take photos of historic inventory units in her district.
 - B. County General Plan Policies and Implementation Strategies provided as an informational item only. Commissioner Pearlman reminds Commissioners that there are training programs available and report participation in such to County Staff Liaison.
 - C. Overview of Mills Act presented by Chair and County staff Mark Connolly. County HRC Liaison will have project implementation update for the September 8 HRC meeting to include application template, contract, and fee structure relevant to applicants.
 - D. Brief discussion of delisting of Redman-Hirahara House to be presented to BOS on August 5
 - E. Chair Newhouse explains that owner of Bayview Hotel is clearing out the contents so that the place can be inspected and better presented to prospective buyers.
 - F. County staff working with Dudek on the Historic Context Statement update. County HRC Liaison should have a presentation for the September 8 HRC meeting.
 - G. Verbal report by Vice-chair Orlando on County History Fair on May 17
 - H. Demolition by Neglect Ordinance is under construction and a presentation made to HRC on September 8
10. COMMISSIONER PRESENTATIONS/ INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:
Commissioner Pearlman requests that the HRC return to four meetings per year.
11. HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMISSION STAFF UPDATE - NA
12. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS - NA
13. REVIEW OF ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS
 1. Address HRC meeting schedule for 2026. Request to return to four annual HRC meetings
 2. Commissioner Pearlman comments on whether HRC needs to formally present to BOS the results of Museum of Art and History Annual Budget presentation by MAH. Chair Newhouse to script.
14. ADJOURNMENT @ 12:15 pm

MOTION TO APPROVE: Pearlman
SECOND: Orlando
AYES: Phillips, et al

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